

by deleting all language after the enacting clause and by substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-29-117, is amended by adding the following language as a new subsection (d):

- (1) A temporary license may be issued by the board for an applicant who has successfully completed the academic course work, clinical training, and all board designated requirements for the license sought, and is scheduled to take the next available board-approved examination.
- (2) The temporary license shall remain valid only until the results of the examination are available to the board if the applicant fails the examination, and the temporary license becomes void on the day the results are released by the board.
- (3) If, however, an applicant passes the examination, the temporary license shall remain valid until the board grants or denies the license application.
- (4) If the applicant fails to take the scheduled examination, the temporary license becomes void on the day of the examination. In cases of severe hardship, the board may in its discretion, and upon application, issue a second temporary license which if granted, shall remain valid until the results of the second examination are available to the board.
- (5) No individual may be issued more than one (1) temporary license, except as provided in subitem (4).

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(6) The recipient of a temporary license issued under the provisions of this subsection shall work only under the direct supervision of medical laboratory personnel licensed in the state of Tennessee at the medical laboratory technologist level or higher.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

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